

## MOTHER PRAISES 'SUN' TOBACCO FUND

Has Two Sons at Front in  
France and Is Glad They  
Get Smokes.

LETTER OF APPRECIATION  
Consolidated Exchange's Xmas  
Show To-morrow Will  
Boost Smokes.

"I am the mother of two boys who are with an ambulance unit at the front in France," said a woman to a Sun Tobacco Fund worker yesterday. "A few days ago I received a letter from one of them containing these sentences: 'The biggest thing that happened today (November 27) was the arrival of tobacco from the New York Sun. I tell you, it certainly was appreciated.'"

"No," said the good woman, "I won't tell you their names, for that would be to reveal my own and I have a horror of seeing my name in print. But I think tobacco is about the only comfort the boys have these days and I want the Sun and the contributors to its fund to know how grateful I, as the mother of two soldiers, am."

Such messages as this, delivered verbally or in writing, are received almost every day and they are most heartening to every one who is trying to do his little part to make the fellows on the other side happy and contented. It is these lived up to the letter and if his offering was worth while he has the answer from the lips of this devoted, self-sacrificing mother.

### Big Doings at Consolidated.

There are going to be big doings down at Beaver and Broad streets to-morrow afternoon, when the members of the Consolidated Stock Exchange and as big a part of the public as can crowd into the building are going over the top for the fund.

The 2 o'clock song which sounds the close of the market also will proclaim the start of the annual Christmas entertainment. While it is yet clanging the only and inimitable Barney Bernard, known after 5.30 at night as Mr. Port, will ascend the rostrum and officially declare the big show on. This one of the two stars of "Business Before Pleasure," at the Eltinge, enlisted yesterday and was assigned immediately to the post of master of ceremonies. Besides announcing the other features in their order he will spring a lot of his own jokes. His very presence will be worth any admission fee which might be charged.

Joe Wallace and his celebrated Jazz Band of seven pieces will furnish music. Wallace has been contributing to the success of other fund benefits, always to the delight of his audience.

Bobby Watson, appearing in the garb of the white whistler and rheumatic but gay old bird—"old but ambitious"—will sing his "I'm a Twelve O'Clock Fellow" in a happy and interesting way. He is the hit of Gus Edwards's Omar Khayyam show at the Martinique.

### Other Features and Surprises.

These names do not exhaust the list of entertainers. Yet other features are to be announced, and there will be features, too, which will not be announced at all but will be put on as surprises. Women as well as men will be welcome to the show. There is to be no charge for admission, but before the show ends President J. Frank Howell will send pretty girls through the audience and everybody will be invited to contribute to soldiers' smokes.

The Exchange committee which is arranging the big event is composed of Mr. Howell, William C. Sullivan, C. S. Liebke, Casper Hauser, Warren Seville and Edward Waters, Jr. Mr. Howell, the impresario, of 1402 Broadway, is giving the show. He is furnishing some of the attractions and the Knabe company has generously offered the use of a piano.

Amelia Bingham has joined the company of stars. She is the featured Christmas eve entertainment of Headquarters Company, 30th Infantry, at the Hotel Ansonia. Mrs. Henry B. Harris is taking a holiday in the event, and it is she who obtained the services of Miss Bingham and Augusta Giose, who will give a high class pianola number.

Maria Carroll, prima donna of the "Oh, Boy!" company, who will attend through the courtesy of William Elliott and F. Ray Costello, will sing compositions of Lieut. Bruce Deletre of the Quartermaster's Corps at Governors Island, and Lieut. Deletre will play his military march, which has been adopted by the men at Camp Dix as their official march.

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Among others on the splendid bill will be Gilbert and Friedland, Keith circuit headliners; Lieft Rosapoff, the "cellist," who is a member Headquarters company; David Hochstadt, the violinist, also of that company, and the 30th Infantry Band, directed by Prof. Byrnes. Violet Marmoreau, the Universal film star, will be the featured attraction of the New York Banks Glee Club, provided a rearrangement of her concert dates in Ohio can be effected. She voiced her perfect willingness to journey back from the middle West to New York because of her desire to assist the fund.

Mr. Macchomb's Aid.

The concert is to take place in the second week in January at the Hotel Ansonia. The use of the hall is donated by Mr. Macchomb, the manager, so that the entire proceeds will come to this cause.

The annual performance of the dramatic club of Columbia Grammar School, to be held to-morrow night in Leslie Hall, Broadway and Twenty-third street.

## Two Entertainers at Show for Smoke Fund



FRANCES ARMHAUS.

BAN JOE WALLACE.

Miss Armhaus of Churchill's cabaret will sing catchy songs, and Ban Joe Wallace will direct his jazz band at the Consolidated Stock Exchange's entertainment for THE SUN Tobacco Fund to-morrow afternoon.

Is another event which promises thorough enjoyment to all who attend. Have you done your Christmas haberdashery shopping? Don't forget that Lou Freedman, 1404 Broadway, near Rector's, gives to the fund a percentage of the gross receipts on every day up to Christmas itself. In his splendid stock of the latest fancies and novelties in masculine finery, and he has also a large supply of the military man's needs. For the accommodation of the public he keeps the store open till 11.30 o'clock every night.

This letter, written by W. E. Sheffer in Charleston, N. C., will delight every friend of the fund: "Enclosed you will find an order for \$3.50, to be used in connection with your fund. This is a contribution from the stage crew and orchestra of the 'Everywoman' company. It is the intention of the above to forward a like amount or more each week."

Everybody knows that theatrical stars have been more than vigilant in the cause of the fund, and the activity of men back stage and the musicians makes it unanimous.

Profits on "Columbia."

From Seneca G. Lewis of Jeannette, Pa., general manager of the Pennsylvania Rubber Company, came yesterday a check for \$30. This amount represents Mr. Lewis's profits on the sale of 1,000 copies of "Columbia," the popular march song of his own composition, to W. E. Harris, president of the National Standard Company of Niles, Mich. This offering brings Mr. Lewis's contributions to date up to \$1,584.82.

From Harry Mortimer Billings came \$40. Of this amount \$32.50 was collected by E. L. Ayres, formerly a sergeant in section 43 of the 10th Cavalry, and the balance of \$7.50 was realized from the sale of 150 copies of Arthur Guy Emery's "Crest of the Trenches."

Some fine family giving has been done up in Brattleboro, Vt. One of the mails yesterday brought a check for \$10, the joint offering of Ethel W. Boyden, Alice Boyden, James Boyden and George Boyden. With a \$25 check, the second contribution of the Fox Hills Golf Club, came this word from George C. Fawcett, the secretary.

"Please let me to add that your effort in behalf of our soldiers has our thorough approval, and we trust it will continue to receive hearty support."

Every week with his twenty-seventh dollar. The Mr. Every Week plays a big part in the glorious work of keeping the fund going, and they are the Army of Every Days who never make a purchase in a Schulte or United Cigar Store without depositing their coupons and certificates—placed in the fund boxes, not left carelessly on the counters—mean more tobacco for the soldier.

The Sun and the Evening Sun. \$100.00  
United Cigar Stores Inc. 25.12  
Reviews and Ad. 2.50  
New contributions 26.67  
Total \$154.29  
Shipped and paid for \$118.45  
Received through the Schulte Cigar Stores 12.92  
Grand total \$166.95  
Mrs. Adam William Spies Cochrane, 373 Charlton st., So. Orange, N. J. \$10.00  
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## MAYOR IS INDICTED FOR ELECTION PLOT

Smith of Philadelphia Faces  
New Charges—Bills Found  
Against Politicians.

Special Despatch to The Sun.  
PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 19.—Mayor Thomas B. Smith was indicted by the Grand Jury to-day on charges of contempt of court and conspiracy to violate the election law in connection with the outburst in the Fifth ward last Friday night, when Policeman George A. Eppley was killed. Isaac Deutsch, a mercantile appraiser and one of the principals alleged to be responsible for the reign of terror that swept through the ward on that day, was indicted on charges of murder and manslaughter, together with Lieut. David Bennett, Policeman John Wirtzhafter, Michael J. Murphy, Emanuel Uram, Lewis Feldman and Clarence Hayden, his political followers.

Charges of misdemeanor in office preferred against Mayor Smith will be considered by the Grand Jury to-morrow.

The findings were presented this afternoon to Judge Carr in the Court of Oyer and Terminer, during the closing session of the trial of Jacob Masola, also known as "Hutch," the New York gunman, who is alleged to have shot Eppley.

One of the bills returned charges the

Mayor with contempt of court in failing to produce certain of his public documents before Judge Brown during a preliminary hearing of the Fifth ward case. Another bill charges the Mayor, Deutsch, Bennett and the five policemen with violating the election law. This ends the Mayor's connection with today's findings.

An additional bill charges Deutsch, Bennett and the five policemen with murder, while another sets forth the lesser crime of manslaughter.

The findings of the jury are virtually in accord with the decision of Judge Martin, who ruled in deciding a habeas corpus proceeding on behalf of the Mayor and Finley, that the evidence be-

fore the committing Magistrate did not warrant holding either the Mayor or Finley on the charge of conspiracy to murder.

The prosecution completed the Commonwealth's case against Masola in Judge Carr's court to-day. The first witness for the defense will be heard to-morrow.

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